



**THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES
KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR
IN
JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) - Endangered: May occur in suitable grasslands and upland woodlands. Endangered nationally.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as a regular winter resident along the Missouri and Kansas rivers. Prefers mature riparian woodland along the river. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Threatened nationally.

Chestnut Lamprey (*Ichthyomyzon castaneus*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally in the lower Kansas River main stem. Spawns over clean gravel in small tributary streams. Spawning has not been documented in Kansas.

Eastern Spotted Skunk (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. Prefers brushy grasslands and woodland edges. May also use abandoned or little used farm buildings.

Eskimo Curlew (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly a regular spring transient using bare fields and heavily grazed or burned grasslands. Has not been recorded in Kansas since 1902. A few birds may still migrate through the state. Endangered nationally.

Flathead Chub (*Platygobio gracilis*) - Threatened: May occur in the Kansas River main stem. Prefers turbid streams with unstable sand bottoms. ***Critical habitat has been designated.***

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: Known to nest along the Kansas River. May occur as an occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant at waters where forage fish are abundant. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Endangered nationally.

Northern Redbelly Snake (*Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata*) - Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. Prefers moist mature upland woodland having dense leaf litter, rocks, and other debris for cover. ***Critical habitat has been designated.***

Pallid Sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*) - Endangered: May occur occasionally during flood events in the main stem Kansas River, but is likely not a permanent resident. Endangered nationally.

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an uncommon seasonal transient or winter visitant at areas where waterfowl concentrate.

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Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: Known to nest along the Kansas River. May occur as a rare seasonal transient at sparsely vegetated shores of streams, marshes, or impoundments. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Threatened nationally.

Sicklefin Chub (*Macrhybopsis meeki*) - Endangered: May occur occasionally in the Kansas River during flood events. The Kansas River does not appear to provide permanent habitat. Federal candidate.

Smooth Earth Snake (*Virginia valeriae elegans*) - Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Prefers rocky hillsides in or near moist woodlands where rocks, logs, or leaf litter provide cover. ***Critical habitat has been designated.***

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: May occur as an occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant at sparsely vegetated wetlands and impoundment shorelines.

Sturgeon Chub (*Macrhybopsis gelida*) - Threatened: Restricted to large sandy rivers where they frequent areas swept by currents especially at heads of islands and sand bars. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Federal candidate.

Topeka Shiner (*Notropis topeka*) - Threatened: Known to occur historically in the Blue River drainage. Last confirmed collection pre-1915. Endangered nationally.

Western Silvery Minnow (*Hybognathus argyritis*) - Threatened: Prefers large shallow sandy rivers where it utilizes runs and backwater pools. Historically occurred in the Kansas River.

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: Known to occur as an occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant at wetlands and impoundments.